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I am writing in support of the E-rate program and the funding it has provided to not only our local school district but school districts across Alaska. This funding has been essential in allowing our students to keep pace with the nation and the world when it comes to technology. Now with additional requirements being added for all districts I urge you to increase funding to at least \$5 billion per year which may allow us to keep pace with needs.

I am in a position to watch the wonderful benefits of having access to technology but also the potential damage if mandated demands for technology aren't funded and start to take away funds for other programs. Please prevent that from happening.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this vital issue.

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